

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Cross-Reference paragraph starting on page 1, line 6, which had been added as part of the Preliminary Amendment filed September 16, 2005, with the filing of the present Application, with the following paragraph:

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This application is a continuation of United States Patent Application No. 10/142,838 filed on May 13, 2002, now US Patent No. 7,033,613, issued April 25, 2006. This application also claims the benefit of Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-142983 filed May 14, 2001. The disclosure(s) of the above application(s) are incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 11, line ¹⁸~~17~~ with the following ~~paragraph rewritten in amendment format:~~

IDC-A2,AMD

Figures ~~2A to 2G~~ 2a to 2c are schematic cross-sectional views of recombinant apoferritin according to a first embodiment of the present invention.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page ~~12~~, line ~~1~~ with the following ~~paragraph rewritten in amendment format:~~

IDC-A3,AMD

Figures ~~7A to 7G~~ 7a to 7c are cross-sectional views showing a process for forming a microstructure according to a fourth embodiment of the present invention.